

The Saraland City Council met in regular session on August 22, 2024, at the Saraland Municipal Annex. The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Council President McDonald. Roll call was as follows:

- Present: Council President Joe McDonald
- Councilmember Wayne Biggs
- Councilmember Newton Cromer
- Councilmember Veronica Hudson
- Councilmember Natalie Moye

Attorney Andy Rutens was present.

Councilmember Cromer opened the meeting with prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 15 and August 19, 2024. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to approve the following invoices:

General Fund

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| 1. Galloway, Wettermark & Rutens, General Services | \$10,870.86 |
| 2. Neel-Schaffer – Inv# 1099380, General Services for July 2024 | \$3,330.00 |
| 3. Volkert, Inc. – Inv # 01307116, General Services - Landfill | \$786.40 |

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to approve the following invoice:

Gas Tax Fund

- 1. Jones Walker – Inv# 1236151, services on tracts for Celeste Rd Project \$5,535.00

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to approve the following invoices:

General Obligation Warrant 2022-A

1. HPM – Inv# 4664-20, preconstruction services for June 2024 \$70,320.00
2. Geotechnical Engineering, Inv # 24168-724-141 Sportsplex testing \$12,934.40
3. Geotechnical Engineering, Inv # 22207-724-132 Sportsplex testing \$11,990.23

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to approve the following invoices:

General Obligation Warrant 2023-A (Alorica Building)

1. PCDA Architecture – Inv# 3957, rendered floor plan for City Hall \$2,000.00
2. PCDA Architecture – Inv# 3981 Final Review, new City Hall design \$1,500.00

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Moye, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to approve the following invoices:

American Rescue Plan

1. S.C. Stagner – Inv# 3307, Fire Station 1's new building addition \$70,144.02
2. S.C. Stagner – Estimate # 3 (Final) Fire hydrant at the incinerator \$8,969.00
3. Ephriam & Assoc. – Inv# 2021-058-9 Incinerator permit requirements \$2,072.00

Motion carried.

ORDERS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES & OTHER BUSINESS

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to authorize surplus of the following items from the Fire Department:

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| 1) HP LAPTOP 1 | 5CD0035WQ7 |
| 2) HP LAPTOP 2 | 2CE3420JPV |
| 3) HP LAPTOP 3 | CND614Z24 |
| 4) ASUS LAPTOP | H9N0CV00P98035B |
| 5) ACER LAPTOP | NXMLFAA24517005583400 |
| 6) HP LAPTOP 4 | CND6142QD5 |
| 7) ACER LAPTOP 2 | NXMLFAA02451807C373400 |
| 8) HP DESKTOP | CNV7240K1H |
| 9) HP LAPTOP 5 | CND7040S8H |

Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 2359

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Saraland, as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Saraland, Alabama, has certain equipment which is no longer needed for public or municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, Section 11-43-56 of the Alabama Code of 1975 authorizes the municipal governing body to dispose of unneeded property; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Saraland, Alabama, as follows:

Section 1: That the below listed items are personal property owned by the City of Saraland, Alabama that are not needed for public or municipal purposes:

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| 10) HP LAPTOP 1 | 5CD0035WQ7 |
| 11) HP LAPTOP 2 | 2CE3420JPV |
| 12) HP LAPTOP 3 | CND614Z24 |
| 13) ASUS LAPTOP | H9N0CV00P98035B |
| 14) ACER LAPTOP | NXMLFAA24517005583400 |
| 15) HP LAPTOP 4 | CND6142QD5 |
| 16) ACER LAPTOP 2 | NXMLFAA02451807C373400 |
| 17) HP DESKTOP | CNV7240K1H |
| 18) HP LAPTOP 5 | CND7040S8H |

Section 2: That the surplus property indicated above owned by the City of Saraland be auctioned or donated to charitable organizations.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to authorize training expenses and adopt a resolution for a cash advance for Councilmembers and Recreation Superintendent, Ashley-Nicole Flowers, to attend the National Recreation and Park Association’s (NRPA) 2024 Annual Conference, October 8-10, 2024, in Atlanta, GA. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2360

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Saraland, that

WHEREAS a cash advance for Joe McDonald, Wayne Biggs, Newton Cromer, Veronica Hudson, Natalie Moye and Ashley-Nicole Flowers to attend the National Recreation and Park Association’s (NRPA), October 8-10, 2024, in Atlanta, GA. and;

WHEREAS a statement of said expenditures will be presented to the City

Clerk immediately upon return, at which time all monies will be balanced.

Motion was made by Councilmember Moye, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to authorize training expenses and adopt a resolution for a cash advance for councilmembers and Mayor to attend the Alabama League of Municipalities (ALM) 2024 Municipal Leadership Institute & Graduation Ceremonies, October 30 – November 1, 2024, in Orange Beach, AL. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2361

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Saraland, that

WHEREAS a cash advance for Howard Rubenstein, Joe McDonald, Wayne Biggs, Newton Cromer, Veronica Hudson and Natalie Moye to attend the Alabama League of Municipalities (ALM) 2024 Municipal Leadership Institute & Graduation Ceremonies, October 30 – November 1, 2024, in Orange Beach, AL. and;

WHEREAS a statement of said expenditures will be presented to the City Clerk immediately upon return, at which time all monies will be balanced.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to approve the resolution for setting a public hearing to consider adopting the 2021 International Fire Code including appendices A, B, C, D, and I with amendments. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2362

A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING ADOPTING THE 2021 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE INCLUDING APPENDICES A, B, C, D, AND I WITH AMENDMENTS

WHEREAS, the City has adopted prior versions of the International Fire Code; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama has adopted the 2021 International Fire Code as the fire code applicable within the state; and

WHEREAS, the City currently enforces the 2015 version of the International Fire Code; and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of the City Council that the City should consider the adoption of the 2021 International Fire Code with appropriate amendments; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to state law, the City has the authority to adopt the International Fire Code upon review and public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council for the City of Saraland, Alabama that the City Council will hold a public hearing at the regularly scheduled City Council

meeting on September 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the possible adoption of the 2021 International Fire Code.

Motion was made by Councilmember Moye, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to approve Kelly's Turf Pro to put a new layer of crushed brick as well as new metal edging for fence at Neighborhood Park in the amount of \$5,400.00 and lay a new layer of crushed brick at Amelia Park in the amount of \$3,400.00. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Moye, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to approve Delta Deep to wax floors and lay out lines for one (1) basketball court, one (1) volleyball court, and two (2) pickleball courts at the Recreation Center in the amount of \$14,422.00. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to authorize the Mayor to enter a contract for advertisement for the Annual Senior Masters Games of Alabama in the amount of \$500.00. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs to appoint Ron Mitchell to the Saraland Water and Sewer Board. Councilmember Hudson requested a roll call vote.

The following votes were recorded:

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| Council President Joe McDonald | No |
| Councilmember Wayne Biggs | Yes |
| Councilmember Newton Cromer | Yes |
| Councilmember Veronica Hudson | Yes |
| Councilmember Natalie Moye | No |

Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Moye to appoint Nick Patel for the Saraland Water and Sewer Board. Councilmember Hudson requested a roll call vote.

The following votes were recorded:

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| Council President Joe McDonald | Yes |
| Councilmember Wayne Biggs | No |
| Councilmember Newton Cromer | Yes |
| Councilmember Veronica Hudson | Yes |
| Councilmember Natalie Moye | Yes |

Motion carried.

City Attorney, Andy Rutens, advised there was no direction in the motion as to which one was filling one seat, one of the positions is for a brief interim and the other is for a year. In order to clarify, there needs to be an amended motion.

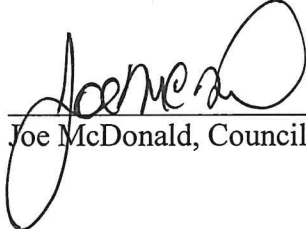
Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to have Ron Mitchell replace James Davis position for the remaining month of his term, and Nick Patel to replace Jackie Haines position for the remaining one year of his term on the Saraland Water and Sewer Board. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Moye, to authorize the expense to advertise for the Fall Clean Up Day. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Councilmember Hudson to adjourn at 7:03 p.m.

ACCEPTED and APPROVED the 12th day of September 2024.


Casey Etheredge, Assistant City Clerk


Joe McDonald, Council President